Mpur is a Non-Austronesian tone language with ca. 5000 speakers in Kebar and Amberbaken (North-East Bird's Head of West Papua). These geographical names are sometimes used in the literature to indicate the Mpur language. For a brief description of Mpur morphology, the reader is referred to Odé (forthcoming). The lexicon is of Non-Austronesian origin, but many loans entered the language from Numforese, Irianese Malay, Standard Indonesian and some also from Dutch. Mpur morphology and syntax show Austronesian features (Reesink 1998:603ff.), such as subject-verb-object word order and the absence of heavy verb morphology.The following brief survey of Mpur phonology and morphology presents some features that are relevant for understanding the interlinearized text below.

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